

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-132 (Cancelled)

Claims 133-195 (Cancelled)

196. (New) An applicator device for applying a coating to an analytic plate, comprising:

a pen having a reservoir therein and having an applicator end comprising a tip of the pen, the tip comprising a brush, swab, or rubber material, the reservoir containing a transparent composition comprising a solvent and a siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof, and wherein the brush, swab, or rubber material of the tip contacts the analytic plate for applying the transparent composition thereon, wherein the transparent composition is substantially permanent on the analytic plate and has a thickness of less than 0.0001 inch and of at least a molecular layer.

197. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone or silicon fluid, or combination thereof is a liquid composition.

198. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the solvent of the composition comprises an acid.

199. (New) The applicator device of claim 198 wherein the acid is a mineral acid.

200. (New) The applicator device of claim 198 wherein the coating has a thickness of less than 0.00001 inch.

201. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the composition is colorless.

202. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the permanent and transparent coating is invisible.

203. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the composition is liquid repellent when dry.

204. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the composition consists essentially of the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof and the solvent.

205. (New) The applicator device of claim 196 wherein the polysiloxane is an alkyl polysiloxane.

206. (New) An applicator device for applying a coating to an analytic plate, comprising:

a pen-like body having a reservoir within the body and having an applicator end comprising a tip of the body, the tip comprising a

brush, swab, or rubber material, the reservoir containing a transparent composition comprising a solvent and a siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof, and wherein the brush, swab, or rubber material of the tip contacts the analytic plate for applying the transparent composition thereon, wherein the transparent composition is substantially permanent on the analytic plate and has a thickness of less than 0.0001 inch and of at least a molecular layer.

207. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof is a liquid composition.

208. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the solvent of the composition comprises an acid.

209. (New) The applicator device of claim 208 wherein the acid is a mineral acid.

210. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the coating has a thickness of less than 0.00001 inch.

211. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the composition consists essentially of the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof and the solvent.

212. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the polysiloxane is an alkyl polysiloxane.

213. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the composition is colorless.

214. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the permanent and transparent coating is invisible.

215. (New) The applicator device of claim 206 wherein the composition is liquid repellent when dry.

216. (New) An applicator device for applying a coating to an analytic plate, comprising:

- a body having a reservoir within the body and having an applicator end comprising a tip of the body, the tip comprising a brush, swab, or rubber material, the reservoir containing a transparent composition comprising a solvent and a siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof, and wherein the brush, swab, or rubber material of the tip contacts the analytic plate for applying the transparent composition thereon, wherein the transparent composition is substantially permanent on the analytic plate and has a thickness of less than 0.0001 inch and of at least a molecular layer.

217. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof is a liquid composition.

218. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the solvent of the composition comprises an acid.

219. (New) The applicator device of claim 218 wherein the acid is a mineral acid.

220. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the coating has a thickness of less than 0.00001 inch.

221. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the composition consists essentially of the siloxane, polysiloxane, silane, silicone, silicon fluid or combination thereof and the solvent.

222. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the polysiloxane is an alkyl polysiloxane.

223. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the permanent and transparent coating is invisible.

224. (New) The applicator device of claim 216 wherein the composition is liquid repellent when dry.